

# Charter Review Commission Minutes WebEx Board Meeting June 28, 2022 7:00 PM

**Members Present:** Chair Kevin Owen and members John Becker, Sally Kram, Robert Kurnick, Anita Powell, Izola Shaw, Marissa Valeri, and Robert Wright. Jack Kelly and Harold Hodges were absent.

**Staff Present:** City Clerk Sara Ferrell, Deputy City Clerk Danny Winborne, and Management Assistant Melissa Wiak.

#### I. Welcome

City Clerk Ferrell the meeting via WebEx at 7: 10p.m. Chair Owen welcomed all those present.

II. Approval of Minutes

a. June 7, 2022

**Motion:** To approve the minutes from June 7, 2022

Moved by Commissioner Valeri, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, Commissioner Becker abstained, and approved.

b. June 21, 2022

**Motion:** To approve the minutes from June 21, 2022

Moved by Valeri, seconded by Commissioner Wright, and approved unanimously.

- III. Approval of Appendix Items
  - a. Appendix C

Appendix C will be voted on at the Commission's June 30, 2022 meeting.

IV. Issue N - Any Additional Provisions on Topics Raised by the Vote by Mail Election, for Example, Ballot Harvesting (Commissioner Valeri)

Part 1: Increase Drop Boxes

Approved unanimously, with Commissioner Wright to write the report.

#### Part 2: Multi-Unit Dwelling Outreach

Approved unanimously, with Commissioner Valeri to write the majority opinion.

#### Part 3 Voter Safety

Approved unanimously, with Commissioner Valeri to write the report.

Commissioner Hodges was not present to vote on Issue N.

#### V. Admission of Report Sections G through P

#### **Issue G:** Alternative Voting Systems

#### Part 2: "None of the Above" Ballot Option

Option 1: (Implement "None of the above" (NOTA) ballot option): Supported by Commissioners Powell, Valeri, Shaw, Becker, and Hodges. Commissioner Valeri will write the majority opinion in favor of the ballot option.

Option 2: (Do not Implement a "None of the above (NOTA) ballot option): Commissioners Wright, Kram, Kelly and Chair Owen. Chair Owen to write the minority opinion against the ballot option.

#### Issue I: Alternative Methods of Advertising the Election

Option 2: (Maintain the current charter and code language providing legal notice of elections.): Supported by Commissioners Shaw, Valeri, Wright, Hodges, Kelly, Kram, Powell, and Chair Owen. Chair Owen to write the majority opinion regarding "legal notice" aspect of this issue. Commissioner Shaw to write a section of the report regarding outreach and publicity of the election.

## <u>Issue P:</u> Provision in the Election Code for Internal Consistency with the Charter and Visa-Versa

Option 1: (Recommend that the City Code and Charter be reviewed to incorporate plain language and publish guidance to the public in order to make the information more accessible). Supported unanimously, with Commissioner Hodges to write the report.

#### VI. Old/New Business

There was no old/new business.

#### VII. Future Meeting

• Thursday, June 30, 2022—7:00 p.m.

### VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Motion: to adjourn.

Moved by Commissioner Valeri, seconded by Commissioner Powell, and approved unanimously.